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18 County and City Associations,
122 Delegates,
213 Votes.

THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE TWELFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA, JUNE 10 AND 11, 1909

Thursday, June 10, 1909

MORNING SESSION

THE meeting was called to order by the president, Miss Annie Damer, in the auditorium of the First Baptist Church, at 10 o'clock. She declared the convention open and explained who were entitled to vote. She said further: As you all know, our secretary, Miss Sly, is unable to be with us. We regret exceedingly that she has been ill during the greater part of her appointment. The Executive Committee has appointed Miss Agnes Deans, of Detroit, to temporarily fill the position. Is it your pleasure now to have Miss Deans act as secretary during the continuation of this convention?

On motion of Miss Delano, Miss Deans was appointed to act as secretary of the convention.

The roll of accredited delegates was then called by the secretary.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR 1908-09

MADAM PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS.—A meeting of the Board of Directors was held at Golden Gate Hall, San Francisco, immediately following the annual meeting.

It was unanimously decided that the Executive Committee consist of the following members: Misses Annie Damer, Anna Davids, Adelaide Nutting, Anna Alline, and Sarah E. Sly.

The standing committees were appointed as published in the annual report. The sum of one hundred dollars was voted to be paid the retiring secretary, Katharine DeWitt, also that a typewriter be purchased for the use of the secretary of the association.

Two meetings of the Executive Committee were held during the year, on October 30, 1908, and January 4, 1909, in New York.

Two certificates of JOURNAL stock were presented to the association by the Johns Hopkins Alumnae Association. Six shares of JOURNAL stock were purchased from the following: Lavina L. Dock (2), Mary Day Barnes (2), Eleanor Wood (2), promissory notes being issued for these shares.

Referring to a request of Miss Dock, made in her almshouse report in San Francisco, ten dollars was voted to be sent to her to be used for almshouse work, at her discretion.

Directors appointed to represent the association at the JOURNAL stockholders' meeting were Misses Damer, Nutting, Riddle, Samuel, and Krueger.

Miss Krueger declined to serve and Miss Pickhardt was appointed to fill the vacancy.

It was decided that the revision of the constitution and by-laws be referred to a special committee, the same to be appointed at the annual meeting of the association in 1909.

In correspondence with the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, it was found that affiliation with this body was possible if an officer was a member. The secretary was instructed to fill out membership blank, to represent the association.

The number of alumnae associations admitted to membership 8, total 136; the number of state associations affiliated 3, total 28; the number of county and city associations 18, total 18.

The Board of Directors recommends that the association make a cash payment on three shares of JOURNAL stock, and further recommends that the entire proceedings of this meeting be published in the AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING.

Respectfully submitted,

SARAH E. SLY, secretary.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER FOR THE YEAR 1908-9

CASH RECEIPTS

MISCELLANEOUS:

Initiations	\$45.00
Alumnae association dues	993.00
State association dues	115.00
City and county association dues	70.00
Sale of reports	5.25
Interest on bank balance	23.09
Discount on typewriter	2.05
Exhibits Golden Gate Hall, San Francisco	25.00
Rebate on travelling expenses to San Francisco	29.43
Advance for exchange on checks	.20
Total miscellaneous receipts	\$1308.02

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO JOURNAL FUND:

Johns Hopkins Alumnae Association	\$6.00
Nurses' Committee Tuberculosis Congress	31.00
Dividends declared January, 1908	45.00

Total subscription to JOURNAL fund..... 82.00

SUBSCRIPTION TO ENDOWMENT FUND, HOSPITAL ECONOMICS COURSE:

University Hospital Alumnae Association, Kansas	\$15.00
Children's Hospital Alumnae Association of San Francisco	25.00

Miss Mary L. Sweeney	\$10.00
Miss Frida L. Hartman	3.00
Bellevue Hospital Alumnae Association	350.00
Nurses of Colorado	49.10
Maine General Hospital Alumnae Association	50.00
Graduate Nurses' Association of New Hampshire	100.00
Graduate Nurses' Association of Indiana	100.00
Graduate Nurses' Association of Lafayette, Indiana	15.00

Total subscriptions to Endowment Fund, Hospital	
Economics Course	\$ 717.10
Total cash receipts	\$2107.12

CASH DISBURSEMENTS

EXPENSE OF ANNUAL MEETING, 1908:

Expenses of officers	\$635.00
Stenographer and transcripts	100.00
Rent of halls for meeting	105.00
Expense of transportation committee	3.00
JOURNAL OF NURSING stock	200.00
Report of meeting	279.72

Total	\$1122.72
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MISCELLANEOUS:

Expense Nominating Committee	\$11.60
Expense Executive Committee	21.37
Katharine DeWitt, salary	100.00
Stationery and postage	93.62
Typewriter	102.80
Federation of Nurses dues	15.00
Tuberculosis Association dues	5.00
Toward expenses Almshouse Committee	10.00
Bryan Horton, auditor	10.00
Paid to Miss M. A. Nutting, treasurer, Endowment Fund	
Hospital Economics Committee	717.10

Total miscellaneous	1086.49
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Total disbursements	\$2209.21
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NOTE.—In addition to the above, gifts of AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING stock as follows: From Alice Fisher Alumnae Association, Philadelphia Hospital, one share; from Johns Hopkins Hospital Alumnae Association, two shares.

RECAPITULATION

Cash balance on hand April 9, 1908, General Fund.....	\$968.79
Cash balance on hand April 9, 1908, JOURNAL Fund.....	6.00
Total receipts	\$974.79
Total	\$3081.91
Total disbursements	2209.21
Cash on hand April 30, 1909:	
General Fund	\$784.70
JOURNAL Fund	88.00
Total cash on hand April 30, 1909	\$872.70

ASSETS

Cash on deposit Long Island L. & T. Co.:	
General Fund	\$784.70
JOURNAL Fund	88.00
Total cash	\$872.70
Twenty-nine shares of AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING stock.....	2900.00
Total assets	\$3772.70

LIABILITIES

BILLS PAYABLE:

Note dated November 17, 1908, to L. L. Dock for two shares of AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING stock.....	\$200.00
Note dated November 23, 1908, to Mary Day Barnes for two shares of AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING stock.....	200.00
Note dated February 10, 1909, to Eleanor Wharton Wood for two shares of AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING stock....	200.00
Total bills payable	\$600.00
Total liabilities	600.00
Net assets	\$3172.70

(Signed) ANNA DAVIDS, R.N.

Audited and found correct by David A. Jayne, Charleston, W. Va., May 27, 1909.

The reports were accepted, and the secretary read greetings to the association from Miss Sly of Michigan, and Miss Erickson of California. The secretary *pro tem* was instructed to send a message of greeting and sympathy to the secretary, Miss Sly.

The report of the Committee on Arrangements, Edith P. Rommel, chairman, was read.

REPORT OF THE ELIGIBILITY COMMITTEE

MADAM PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS.—The Committee on Eligibility begs to report the following associations accepted into membership in the Nurses' Associated Alumnae, since the last meeting in San Francisco: Miami Valley Alumnae Association, Dayton, Ohio; Ashbury M. E. Alumnae, Minneapolis, Minn.; Swedish Hospital Alumnae, Minneapolis, Minn.; City Hospital Alumnae, Cincinnati, Ohio; St. Joseph's Alumnae, St. Paul, Minn.; Henrotin Memorial Alumnae, Chicago, Ill.; Passavant Alumnae, Chicago, Ill.; St. Mary's Alumnae, San Francisco, Cal.

State associations: Washington, Oklahoma, New Jersey.

County and city associations: King County Graduate Nurses' Association of Seattle, Wash.; Nurses' Registry Association of Colorado Springs, Colorado; Hennepin County Graduate Nurses' Association of Minneapolis, Minn.; Registered Nurses' Association of Des Moines, Iowa; Jefferson County Graduate Nurses' Association of Louisville, Ky.; Wayne County Graduate Nurses' Association of Detroit, Mich.; San Francisco County Graduate Nurses' Association of California; Ramsey County Graduate Nurses' Association of St. Paul, Minn.; Alameda County Graduate Nurses' Association of Oakland, Cal.; Monroe County Registered Nurses' Association of Rochester, N. Y.; Graduate Nurses' Association of Pierce County, Tacoma, Wash.; Spokane County Graduate Nurses' Association of Spokane, Wash.; Graduate Nurses' Association of Cleveland, Ohio; Grand Forks Nurses' Association of Grand Forks, S. Dakota; Kansas City Graduate Nurses' Association, Missouri; Graduate Nurses' Association of Lafayette, Indiana; Graduate Nurses' Association of Indianapolis, Indiana.

Respectfully submitted,

IDA M. TICE

AGNES G. DEANS

ELIZABETH R. P. COCKE

The Program Committee submitted the completed program as its report.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The chairman of the Nominating Committee, Dr. Helen Parker Criswell, presented a report which included the list of nominations as follows:

President: Miss Isabel McIsaac, Benton Harbor, Mich. Second nomination from the floor. First Vice-President: Miss Genevieve Cooke, Oakland, Cal. Miss Edith P. Rommel, Minneapolis, Minn. Second Vice-President: Mrs. A. R. Colvin, St. Paul, Minn. Mrs. M. E. Moyer, Philadelphia, Pa. Secretary: Miss Agnes G. Deans, Detroit, Mich. Miss Ida Giles, Pittsburgh, Pa. Treasurer: Miss Anna Davids, New York. Mrs. Frederick Tice, Chicago, Ill. Directors (two to be elected to serve for three years): Miss Annie Damer, New York. Mrs. C. V. Twiss, New York. Miss L. Pickhardt, Chicago, Ill. Miss K. DeWitt, Rochester, N. Y. Mrs. Hunter Robb, Cleveland, Ohio. Dr. Helen P. Criswell, San Francisco, Cal.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The report of the Committee on the Pension Fund was called for.

Miss DAVIS as chairman of the committee stated: I think it was distinctly understood that there was to be no report on the pension fund at this meeting. I was quite unable to get together the mass of information for this meeting and have it classified, and I was not willing to present it in such a disorganized state. However, it is in such a condition that another committee can put it into shape, if so desired.

THE PRESIDENT.—You have heard Miss Davis's statement. Is it your desire that the committee shall be continued and carried over another year?

On motion of Miss Deans it was so decided.

The president appointed as inspectors of election Misses Henderson, Merrill, Gutzman, and Mrs. Hickey; Miss Henderson to be chairman.

The chair announced that Miss Isabel Melsnac was obliged to resign as nominee for the presidency, owing to business affairs, and that nominations from the floor were in order.

Miss Jane A. Delano of New York was nominated by Miss M. Adelaide Nutting; seconded by Miss Whittaker of Pennsylvania; and Miss Sophia F. Palmer, of Rochester, N. Y., was nominated by Mrs. Ida M. Tice of Chicago; seconded by Miss Dart of Massachusetts.

MISS PALMER.—I would like to endorse the nomination made by Miss Nutting, that of Miss Jane A. Delano of New York. Miss Delano is unwilling to have her name placed upon the ticket because of her friendship for the other candidate. I do not think any consideration of her friendship for me should prevent her accepting the nomination and in your presence I request her to permit her name to go on the ticket. (Later it was reported that Miss Delano consented to allow her name to stand with that of Miss Palmer.)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ALMSHOUSE NURSING *

The necessity of keeping work down to proportions that I could deal with has been my excuse for carrying on the almshouse correspondence without conferring with the other members of the committee, for which I apologize to them. As on account of the great pressure on the program of the Federation of Women's Clubs last summer, Mrs. Crane was unable to get the time she had expected for the presentation of this subject, any likelihood of early affiliation of our members with other bodies on the almshouse question was, of course, not to be looked for. The temporary committees which had been promised by our state societies had therefore no functions to perform. Mrs. Crane then determined to bring the question before state federations whenever possible: this, of course, is a slow and arduous piece of work.

My relations have been carried on directly with the presidents of state societies, as it seems that those bodies are the logical ones to look to for executive work in almshouse matters. Suggestions made to them have been: first, that, if possible they go ahead by themselves in getting nurses into the almshouses; it would help Mrs. Crane's movement, and that it was now less important to gather fresh statistics than it was to try placing nurses in almshouses: therefore, if possible, to endeavor to get at least one nurse into an

* Condensed by the editor.

almshouse in each state; and second, to appoint standing committees on almshouse work in each state, to be ready for anything that came up.

The replies from the different states as to these two points, of which I give abstracts, show the present status of both these, as yet, quite rudimentary movements. The whole cause is one that can only move slowly, and I feel that this association will have done the best thing possible for its advancement in getting it placed on the calendars of the state societies every year and made an object of their permanent interest.

Connecticut reports that all almshouses and children's homes are inspected by the State Board of Charities, which has two women on it. In Hartford and New Haven the almshouses have trained nurses in their wards, the former being connected with the city hospital. A standing committee is to be appointed.

Colorado reports that it has, in the usual sense of the word, no almshouses. The poor are taken care of by the county hospitals and county farms. Connected with nearly all of the county hospitals are training schools for nurses. Those patients who need care are transferred from the farms to the hospitals. Some eighteen months ago the state association appointed a committee to visit the institutions and to ascertain the conditions of the same as regards training-school work. They were found in good condition. A standing committee is promised, although, with the favorable conditions in Colorado, it may not have much work to do, unless perhaps to help other states in their movement.

Georgia reports no action taken so far, but promised a standing committee to be appointed in April.

Iowa: A number of almshouses have been investigated and the returns sent to Mrs. Crane. A standing committee is promised, to be appointed in June. Legislative action providing for county hospitals is expected to bring great improvement into the conditions of almshouse sick, and many superintendents of hospitals are asking for wings for the county sick poor.

Illinois: Things have moved in Illinois. Mrs. Crane spoke in Chicago last year and secured the hoped-for affiliation. There is now a joint committee of clubwomen and nurses working on the same plan as in Michigan. The Michigan blanks have been copied, and their reports and the article, "The Forgotten People," are being sent out in every county. Four nurses, members of the state association, have been placed on the State Federation of Women's Clubs.

Wisconsin: Miss Kelly, superintendent of nurses at the County Hospital, Wauwatosa, has succeeded in placing four nurses in the almshouse there.

Massachusetts: A committee of the state association was appointed to investigate the conditions, and a complete census of the state was taken, which was found to be so favorable that there seemed very little for the state association to do.

Minnesota reports that the Executive Committee undertook to further almshouse nursing work, and that a nurse went to the president of the Federation of Women's Clubs with the proposed reform. The Federation being then deeply engaged with legislative effort for an industrial school for girls could promise no immediate assistance but promised to give any assistance in its power after that subject was settled. The Executive Committee will continue to serve.

Michigan: This state, having its joint committee and its work well under way, has nothing new to report.

Maryland: Interesting developments are also taking place in Maryland, though we must not take the credit for them. The care of the indigent sick and insane has been the subject of investigation from other directions—medical men and the State Lunacy Commission. The State Nurses' Association, however, did not fail to make the best use of the opportunities given by the general agitation. A letter says: "As to the action we have been taking here concerning almshouse nursing, we have taken it in connection with the State Lunacy Commission . . . and from the active interest every one is showing there seems little doubt that the Legislature will make the appropriation next year, so that the work can be begun in some of the counties at least. . . . the question here is, not what we will have to do to assist the Lunacy Commission, but, to have nurses prepared to fill these positions when they are ready to be offered to them. We have brought this matter up at practically every one of our meetings, so as to interest our women in this very important work."

Missouri: A thorough canvas has been made by the nurses, who find only one nurse employed in an almshouse. A movement on foot to place three others is reported, but not as the result of action by the nurses. A standing committee has been promised.

Nebraska: A standing committee is promised, and the interest of the nurses also, now that the absorption of passing a registration act is over.

New Jersey: A standing committee is promised.

North Carolina: A standing committee is promised. The state committee, appointed last year, sent out circulars to all the almshouses of the state, about 90 in all, addressed to the county physicians, explaining what they were trying to do and asking for the co-operation of these physicians in the work. Postage for reply was also sent. Only fifteen replies have been received, and of that number only one physician expressed a desire for a trained nurse in the almshouses. The chairman of the committee found, however, an enthusiastic supporter of the idea in the physician of the Forsyth County Home, who is very desirous of placing a trained nurse in charge. Two other towns also show hopeful signs. With these few exceptions the doctors seem to feel satisfied with present conditions. There are a few mild insane, epileptics, and feeble-minded in each county home reported on. They are cared for by the keeper and his wife.

Oregon: A standing committee has been appointed.

Ohio: Careful visits have been made and reports sent, showing great need of nursing. The nurses' committee is arousing interest by writing to public bodies, such as the State Charities Aid.

Oklahoma: The youngest of the state nurses' associations writes that, as we may suppose, they have not had time to take up this question, but that, as soon as they know what we want they will be glad to go into it.

Pennsylvania: The state society will appoint a standing committee, but has so far taken no steps as an association to break the ground for nurses in the almshouses. However, in Harrisburg, the capital, the medical society last winter made public complaint of the lack of isolation and disinfection in the almshouse, where a good many tuberculous patients were cared for; this without any reflection on the humane care of a very admirable warden and his wife, who do more than could be expected of non-professional people:

and following this, the head of the district nursing staff brought the proposal to place a trained nurse in charge of the sick there before the Civic Club, a very able and active club of women. She met with a sympathetic hearing, but it is too soon to expect any definite results.

Rhode Island: A standing committee has been appointed, thorough investigations made and co-operation promised. No action has yet been taken toward placing nurses.

South Carolina: Here the state society has been absorbed with registration matters, but promises active interest in the almshouses later on. Some of the leading women in the state have the matter much at heart, and they have visited and made observations.

Texas: The nurses here, too, have been pre-occupied with registration, but now, their bill being through, they will appoint a committee. The association was much interested in the propaganda for the almshouses, but feels it to be a delicate subject as it is "political," and "political" subjects in Texas seem to be left to the men. Women have little to say as to the welfare of their fellow creatures, I am told. Yet the Federation of Women's Clubs is strong there, and some day it may be found that the care of the sick in the almshouses is really a nursing question and not a political one at all. Or, it may be discovered that all things are political and that the word is not a bogey.

Washington State: Registration has put other things aside for the time being, and the association has not as yet seen its way to a definite promise of a standing committee, but promised to bring it up at the June meeting.

West Virginia: The state has few almshouses, probably not a dozen all told, and the state association, or its president, is trying to get a tuberculosis ward set apart in the one in Charleston.

In closing this report, it may be well to add that, as all the states have sent in from one to a number of the census forms provided by Mrs. Crane, there is very suggestive testimony on the usually entire absence of any segregation, isolation, or disinfection for tuberculous cases in almshouses throughout the country, though almost all report one or more such cases on hand as a rule. No instructions are given systematically as to the care and disposal of sputum, nor as to the protection of other patients. It may easily be seen, then, that our almshouses over the country may be said to be small centres of infection, and it is to be regretted that our inquiries had not had time to be completed last year for the tuberculosis congress, as it might have been useful for the cause to have emphasized at that meeting the neglect of preventive care in these institutions.

Since preparing my report a few additional data have come in, but I think nothing that is of special importance.

Respectfully submitted.

L. L. DICK, chairman.

THE PRESIDENT.—This is certainly a very encouraging report. It just shows what we can do when we make up our minds to do it. I certainly hope this committee will be continued. Is there any further information to go into that record?

MRS. IDA M. TICE.—I want to say that in Illinois in the largest almshouse

they have trained nurses in charge of the sick, and we find that house in a better condition than any other. The philanthropic committee has just begun its work during the present year, but the time is too short to present it at this meeting.

MRS. FREYTAG.—I want to report for Missouri that in St. Louis we have trained nurses in almshouses and have had them for two years, and they are doing good work. I understand there is an opening for three more trained nurses. In Kansas City they are building a new almshouse, in which they hope to have a training school, and in almost every county in Missouri we have our county almshouse charges taken care of in a better manner than formerly. At our last state meeting there was a committee appointed to take up this matter and the chairman said she had sent me a report, but it must have been lost.

DR. CAROLINE HEDGER.—I would like to speak one minute on this question. It is my firm belief that in getting ready for nurses in almshouses you are getting ready for one of the most important points in the prevention of the spread of tuberculosis. The countries that have made the greatest decrease in the death-rate from tuberculosis are England, Germany, Ireland, and Austria. In these countries the advanced cases are forced into the almshouses, they are taken away from their families, and the chance for infection is thereby lessened. If we could adopt some such method, I believe we could make more rapid progress in the prevention of tuberculosis by properly taking care of such cases.

MRS. HUNTER ROBE.—Could we not ask our committee to correlate with the various tuberculosis leagues throughout the country and draw their attention to these needs?

MISS DICK.—Your committee would be very glad to do so.

MISS BISHOP.—In Cincinnati tuberculosis cases are sent to the general hospital.

MISS JONES.—We have our nurses in almshouses in Virginia.

MISS GOODRICH.—Our tuberculosis patients in New York City are kept separate. All the tuberculosis patients are sent to the Metropolitan Hospital.

MISS YOCUM.—I think there is a trained nurse in charge; I do not think the other nurses are trained.

MISS LENT.—Eight months in almshouses in Baltimore under the direction of trained nurses I consider the best work that the state of Maryland is doing for her almshouses. The advanced cases we send away, and there are only six places in Maryland where they will take advanced cases. They are under the care of trained nurses. There is a house nurse and there are one or two trained nurses working with her.

MISS WEBER.—In Pierce County, Washington, attention is given to these cases in almshouses.

THE PRESIDENT.—Is it your pleasure to continue this special committee?

MISS YOCUM.—I move that the committee as it stands remain. I would also like to add a hearty vote of thanks for the excellent work the committee has done. This was carried.

The president asked for a report of the Public Health Committee. Mrs. A. R. Colvin, the chairman, replied that the committee was without definite instructions, its members were widely scattered, and she had no report to make.

THE PRESIDENT.—It would be a great help to the committee to have some definite suggestions as to which line their work should be directed. See how

valuable the Almshouse Committee is because their work has been directed toward some one particular object. We would be very glad and the members of the committee would be glad if we could have some definite suggestions as to the line of work they should strive to bring before the state associations. As stated in Miss Dock's report, the campaign of registration has ended and in a good many states (23) registration laws have been enacted, and now we want something definite taken up in the matter of preventive work, and the Public Health Committee would welcome suggestions.

MISS GLADWIN suggested that the committee take up the work of venereal prophylaxis.

MISS NUTTING.—I rise to endorse the suggestion that we should work along some definite line. You actually accomplish something in that way, because the field of public health is too general, it is impossible to do effective work unless we specialize in some particular feature.

MISS PALMER.—I wish some one of our practical women would write a paper and tell us how to teach children in regard to the sex question. Some of you know that in addition to editing the JOURNAL I am bringing up a little girl, and I am right up against the question of what to teach her. She is twelve years old. I cannot find anything in pamphlets I have bought that contain a single thing I want to teach the child. All the pamphlets and papers issued by different societies that I have seen say the mother should teach the children those things, but the mother does not know what to teach any more than I do. How can you teach a child, especially a girl, in regard to sex relationship, and what she is to guard against in her association with boys and men? Who knows how to approach that subject in the right way? I confess I do not. There are certain points I dare not touch upon and she is getting too old to go without instruction.

DR. HEDGER.—I quite agree with Miss Palmer that the literature is faulty. There is so much literature that to me seems unhealthy. I still believe the biological basis is the true basis. I believe the biological form should be presented in some way, but it has not yet been worked out. It seems to me it is absolutely safe to tell children the truth.

MRS. HUNTER ROBB.—I should like to refer to the report of Dr. Helen Putnam to the American Medical Association. It was the beginning of the Moral Prophylactic Society started by Dr. Morrow. It is the best report I ever saw. She takes up biology from the beginning. It is going to be worked out in our public schools in time.

MRS. HICKEY.—The county association of nurses has taken up this subject in Seattle and has formed a federation with other county societies. They have asked the superintendent of schools and the school board for a male physician, have asked for a lecturer to speak to the senior class of the high school, and have asked for a lady physician to lecture to the girls on the sex question. We feel that a part of this question is going to be settled by having the mothers with us. We are going to teach the mothers as well as the children. In this connection I would like to say that I think the nurses of the United States should be the first instead of the last to go into the schools. We have been hanging on the outskirts long enough. It seems to me we should be the ones who should ask the superintendents of schools and school boards and college men all over the world to assist in this work. We have college men in Wash-

ington who are so interested in the work that they have made it a special course. I feel that before long Spokane will put nurses into her schools as well as in Seattle and Tacoma. It seems to me that is where the first move should be made; it should come from the nurses.

DR. HEDGER.—I am glad to have that report, but does not the woman from Washington think it is late to begin?

MISS MARY E. GLADWIN.—It is perfectly appalling to note the ignorance in regard to prophylaxis among nurses themselves. We need a post-graduate school. While our work is nearly all biological. I have had difficulty in introducing this teaching in my school and I find the great majority of nurses know little about it, and that little they know has been badly told.

MRS. HIGBEE.—I have the good fortune of being connected with a training school in Omaha, and it was my misfortune that I had no one to help me. Physicians will not teach that point to the nurses. I have not been fortunate enough to be in a training school where I could do that teaching myself, and as far as other nurses are concerned I don't believe they know anything about it. There are few women physicians and they are just like the men.

MISS PALMER.—I have had a different experience in regard to persuading physicians to give practical lectures concerning prophylaxis. One of the first things I did when I went to Washington was to induce the senior surgeon to give a course of lectures to nurses. He said, "I don't know how to talk about it to nurses." I said, "You must go to work and find out how to talk about it." It was done and it was presented in a most acceptable way. When I went to Rochester I interested a woman physician, Dr. Marian Craig Potter, who has written some papers in the JOURNAL on that subject. She had not given any special attention to that subject until I urged her to study it. She is now, I believe, one of the best authorities we have. I admit that some superintendents do not accomplish much with this subject, but the fault is in the way they go about it.

MISS FRANKLIN.—It was my business to go into the homes before the babies came and have oversight of them until the mothers could take care of themselves and take care of the babies. I followed those cases up until the baby was grown. Dr. Benson, of the sanitary department of New York, tells me they are not sending out leaflets in different languages, but they are sending them out in the English language. The mothers cannot read English and they must call the children to read them and in that way we are at the same time educating the children.

THE PRESIDENT.—It seems to me the most important subject we can present to the committee is this subject of moral prophylaxis to be introduced into our public schools in some way.

The committee was instructed to continue, with the subject of moral prophylaxis as its special work.